

Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee
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Geographic location or area of activity: Missouri River

Description of activity: EPA has been a continuing partner in Missouri River Recovery efforts, providing funding and technical input to the Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee (MRRIC). The MRRIC is a basin-wide stakeholder group formed to provide guidance to the federal government on river recovery activities. MRRIC includes government and non-governmental entities that have regulatory, conservation, business and/or cultural ties to the Missouri River.

In FY 2007, EPA provided input into the creation of the “framework” document to guide over 50 stakeholders in the development of a Charter for establishing the MRRIC, and hosted a stakeholder public comment forum in Kansas City.

Interagency partners:

Federal: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Interior - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Reclamation, National Park Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Geological Survey, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution, Western Area Power Administration, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture – Forest Service and Natural Resource Conservation Service, Federal Highway Administration

State: Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Wyoming

Tribal: Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation, Northern Arapaho Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Trenton Indian Service, Blackfeet Tribe, Santee Sioux Nation, Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, Sac and Fox Nation, Yankton Sioux Tribe, Flandreau Santee Sioux, Fort Peck and Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and Rosebud Sioux

Local partners: Missouri River Levee and Drainage District, The Nature Conservancy, Audubon, Missouri River Navigation Caucus, Mid-West Electric Consumers Association, Iowa Corn Growers Association, Yellowstone River Conservation District Council, City of Pierre, S.D., Kansas City, Missouri (Water Services), Coalition to Protect the Missouri River, Sierra Club, Kansas City, Kansas (Bureau of Public Works), Missouri River Relief, American Waterways Organization, Johnson County (Kansas) Water 1, Mo-Ark Association, Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha, Waterfowl Association of Iowa, Rushmore Electric Power Cooperative, Lower Missouri Coordinated Resources Management Council, Missouri River Technical Group, Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District, Central Montana Electric Power, Big Soo Terminal, Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, Howard County (Mo.) Commission and St. Mary Rehabilitation Working Group

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